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**Via Electronic Filing**

Magistrate Judge Michael A. Hammer  
United States District Court  
Martin Luther King, Jr. Federal Building & US Courthouse  
50 Walnut Street  
Newark, NJ 07101

**RE: Rashaun Ferguson v. University Correctional Health Care**  
**Docket No.: 16-cv-03304-ES-MAH**  
**Our File No.: 21112.00172**

Dear Judge Hammer:

In accordance with Your Honor's directive, kindly accept the following as our "joint status report" in the above matter.

As Your Honor was previously made aware, this matter has been settled between the parties. Inasmuch as the defendant is an entity of the State of New Jersey, a mandatory State lien search was conducted and a number of "hits" were identified. Counsel are working together (along with the State) to resolve these outstanding lien issues, after which an appropriate Release will be prepared and executed and the settlement check will be issued. Counsel have conferred, and we do not believe further Court intervention is necessary at this time. We will, of course, apprise the Court when finality has been reached.

Your Honor's consideration of the foregoing is sincerely appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Justin F. Johnson', written over a circular stamp or seal.

Justin F. Johnson

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